

❖Plebe Parent Medical News❖

NAVAL MEDICAL CLINIC, 250 Wood Road, Annapolis, MD 21402-5050

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Welcome Back Parents of the Class of 2007

The mission of the Naval Medical Clinic Annapolis is to provide health services to the Brigade of Midshipmen, active duty forces and all others entrusted to our care. We have a group of health care providers available during regular working hours and one of them is available after hours. Our focus is health maintenance and intervention as problems and issues arise.

The newly constructed Brigade Medical Unit (BMU) is located in the 6th wing of Bancroft Hall. This facility will provide Midshipmen ready access to primary and specialty care.

Urgent care is provided at designated hours on weekends and holidays. A medical provider is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Appointments are scheduled weekdays with referrals to specialists when appropriate. We have our own physical therapy, sports medicine, optometry, internal medicine, primary care, and orthopedic departments. In addition, we have our own laboratory, pharmacy, and radiology departments.

We cover most athletic events, parades and other activities to ensure prompt medical support is available.

We are not an inpatient facility and do not have an emergency room. We utilize Anne Arundel Medical Center for immediate problems and local military hospitals when time permits.

If you have questions about your Midshipman, please call the Brigade

Medical Unit at 410-293-1758.
We are always standing by ready to assist!

CAPT W. P. Frank, MSC, USN
Commanding Officer

Dental Care is Provided

The Dental Clinic is located in the 6th wing of Bancroft Hall. Midshipmen receive annual dental exams and receive appointments for a full scope of dental treatment and preventive care. Walk-in dental care is available through sick call twice daily and dental emergencies are seen any time. The clinic is staffed after hours by a technician on board and a dentist on call. The Dental Clinic phone number is (410) 293-3756/3788.



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Maintain your Midshipman's Health Insurance

While your Midshipman will be the responsibility of the Naval Academy while enrolled, you should **maintain health insurance** in the event your Midshipman is discharged for a medical reason before commissioning. The Brigade Medical Officer may be contacted at 410-293-1758 if you have questions about the care your Midshipman is receiving.

If Your Midshipman has a medical emergency while away from the Academy

When your Midshipman is away from the Academy, he or she is entitled to emergency medical treatment at government expense.

If it is an emergency (immediate threat to life, limb or sight), go to an emergency room. Within 24 hours of that visit, someone must call the Brigade Medical Unit at 410-293-1758 to let us know what the diagnosis is and arrange for follow-up.

A Midshipman may be transferred to a military treatment facility once an emergency is stabilized.

If a Midshipman needs to be seen by a doctor for an illness or injury that may not be an emergency or you are uncertain, please call the Brigade Medical Unit at 410-293-1758.

It is imperative that Midshipmen receive documentation of medical treatment. All documentation must be incorporated into a Midshipman's military medical record and is necessary for follow-up care at Brigade Medical.

If you have general questions about bills or coverage, call the Managed Care Office at 410-293-CARE.



Health Care for Your Midshipman

Brigade Medical Unit staffing consists of physicians, physician assistants, nurses, Independent Duty Corpsmen (IDC), and Hospital Corpsmen. Corpsmen are trained in basic life support and triage. They maintain combat readiness and a training schedule to accompany Sailors and Marines in the field and onboard ship. Independent Duty Corpsmen are trained in greater depth and serve independently at isolated duty stations.

The Brigade Medical Unit is staffed 24 hours a day. During non-working hours 2000-0630, a duty crew is available for emergencies. Routine and urgent care appointments are scheduled between 0630 and 2000 Monday through Friday.

Sustaining the health and well-being of Midshipmen is our priority.



Plebe Exercise Program (PEP) was supervised by our medical staff.